LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

The Honschold, Conversation Club,

The Braney Rousehold.

Puzzles, etc.

PALEY FLOWERS. PRISTED OF THE C. C.: We wonder if other members of the C. C. enjoy four rambles during this de-lightful Full weather. We have just returned from one of these pleasant strolls, and feel amply rewarded for the time thus speak. We went in quest of material with which to make "farry flowers." How many of the girls are versed in this art? We think if you could step in and see our bouquels you would agree with us in saying they are beauliful. The firm mentioned below will obserfully respond to all letters of interrogation. Office hours from 7:30 Monday morning until 7:30 Saturday even-ing. - G. L. Parmelee, Z. E. Owen, Kent, O.

WASHINGTON CREAM PIE. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: I have been a constant pender of the dear old TEIDUNE for over six years, and now, with my first communication, I send you a recipe for Washington Cream Pie: One cup sugar, one egg, one cup sweet milk, two cups flour, one tempoonful butter, two teaspoonfuls cream tartar, one of soda; flavor to taste; divide into four parts and bake in round, shallow pans in a quick oven. Cream: Best one egg and one-half cop sugartegether; then add one quarter cup of flour; wet with a very little mink; sur this mixture into one-half part boning make until thick; flavor to basie. Suread the cream, when cool, between each

I will exchange bright ink drawn postal autographs, neat and pretry, for drawn or painted ones. -Della Ripley, Box 56, Fremont, N. H. A PRETTY TOUGGAN,

PRINCIPED TRIBUCCO In answer to Laura Spann, we would say that a pretty toboggan is made as Make chain large enough to fit the bend.

1st row-Fasten and make single crochet in each of the top stitches of the chain, 2d row-Proceed as in first row until large enough. Gather the top closely and lay in three or four plaits to fit the head. Finish the top with a bow of ribbon over the plaits. Finish the bottom with small scallogs. Will some one of the C. C. tell us how to make a cover for summe organ stool?-Nellie and Lizzie Moore, Pittsheld, Ill.

A DELICIOUS DISH. Friensed oyslers adds mother to the infinite variety of savory dishes concected from the useful and luscions bivaive. For this dish have ready 25 systers, one large table-spoon butter, one large tablespoon flour, half pint of milk, yolks of two eggs, one tablespoon chopped parsiey, salt and eavenne to taste. Boil the oysiers in their own liquor: drain. Put the butter in a frying-pan, and when melted add the flour; mix until smooth now add the milk; stir until it bolis; add the oysters and a half cup of liquor, salt and cayenne, and stir again until it bails. Take from the fire; add the yells of the eggs, lightly beaten, and the parsiey; serve at once.

KITCHEN GREENS. Before the frest comes prepare a good-sized box, fit it to a kitchen window (if your house is warmed in Winter, if not place on a movable table); fill the box with rich earth, plant roots of parsley, chives, and other hardy greens. They will thrive and grow, and you can have greens for soups, omelets and garnishes all Winter.

Conversation Club. Bules of the Clab .- I. Write briefly. 2. Write only on one side of the paper. B. Write to the point. 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. 6. Send answers to all puzzles for use of Editor, Each week the names of those writing the best letterseral merit considered-will be named at the head of this column on the Hoper Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor will include a deliciency in some one point, No others will be mamed.

HONOR ROLL-BUST LETTERS. First Honor-Annie M. Andrews, Nunda, Ill.; A. F. Flies, Holland, O. Second Honor-Harry R. Cobleigh, St. Johnsbury East, VL

SEARCHERS AND SOLVERS. Leonard Martin, Emporia, Kan., 5; Lorens Adam son, Corning, O., 9; C. E. Meintard, Cumberland C. H., Va., 1; Mabel C. Gindings, Thornton's Ferry; W. T. Reez, 87 Crawford street, Pittsburg, 18; Estella Williams, Derry, Kan., 3; J. E. Haynes, Gananoque, Out. 1; Nella Hampton, Mt. Victory, O., 6; E. M. Tiakham, Springfield, Mass., 3; Mannie C. Burke, Eoseistuk, N. Y., 4; Mangie Holbrook, Ocean Grave, N. J., 1; Annie Marsh Williams, Sangro, Mass., 6; N. S. Thompson, Tower City, Pa., 5; Heaste G. Ruce, Fort Wayne, Ind., 3; Cens C. Poe, Dixon, Ill., 10; Will H. Sheahan Dennysville, Me.; James E. Alger, 4; Harry Cob-leigh, St. Johnsbury East, Vt., 8; Sailie R. Me-Chery, Pleasantville, O., 6; Manna A. Howe, Howe,

OUR ROLL CALL-GREETINGS Winnifred A. Conner, soldier's daughter, Daniel M. Wiseman, soldier's son, Myrtle, Minn.: Susie Moore, Pleasant Hope, Mo.; George L. Walince, Anthony, Kura, son 199th Pa. (Roundheads); Mary Allison, San Rufael, Cal., daughter Co. H. 65th Ohio; Minnie and Emena Osmon, Thedford, Neb.; Nellie Brown, Upper Sandasky, O.; Della Phipps, Shelby-I, 2nd Mich., father many years insane from a sun-stroke in the army; Bioms S. Parkins, Box 1214, temperance town, no becase three years in succession; Ella May Pocifinger, Falls City, Neb., belonged to a Ladies' Harrison Marching Ciub; Mattie F. Nilea, Actington Hights, Va., daughter On Ill.: Latie J. Warner, East Hardick, Vt.; Alice Shaw, Verbeek, Kam, daughter 5th Minn.; Charles L. Thumpson, Georgetown, O.; Myrtie A. Grooms, Gatten, Mich.; Mattie E. Hoyt, St. Johns, Orc., daughter Co. C, 23d Wis., member Post 1, G.A.R., Portland, Ore.; Carlos Mielto, Cherokee Nation, Box 83, Visita, Ind. Ter.; Rosa M. Tice, Goodland, Kan, daughter Co. C. 11th Iowa; B. Nellie Reynolds, Madison, Wis., daughter 23d Wis.; Cora-Patch, Plain City, O. Total, 5,165.

KANSAS GIBL IN VIRGINIA. PRIEKDS OF THE C. C.: I was born in Kansas, and enjoyed the prayringes of Western life until 12 years of age, when my father moved to Washington, D. to accept a clericship in the Pension Office, which was alk years ago. He is now 50 years old, and his health is falling very fact. He belonged to the 50th fil., serving four years and six months, and is a member of Kit Carson Post, G.A.R., Washington. My home is now two miles from Washington city, and near the old Robert E. Lee estate, which I visit frequently. From the portico of the old mansion you can view Washington and offer. -R. F. Billings, Mankato, Minn. Tin tobacco Georgetown-a view which I know a great many | tags for best offer; 40 chromo cards for 10 cents.readers of THE NATIONAL TEISUNE would appre- | George L. Wallace, Anthony, Kan. Christmas papa and older trother, as mannen has gone back to Kansas to widt relatives and friends. I like lection of woolen patches. Pampas plumes for house-keeping very much. I have been taking peacock's feathers; would know why C. E. Elislessons in music, and I play some pieces on the piano, and find it a very piezeant way to pass away the time while mother is so far away, visiting. I am not very proficient yet, but would like to be. Would Lock Box I, Drarysville, Me. Prize for best collike to hear something on the subject from the C. C., and, what would be the most preferable and practical, would be pleased to have some of the C. C. recommend some of the most popular pieces at the present time.—Mattie F. Niles, Arlington

GRAVE OF "H. H." FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: How long it has been since I sat around the fireside a member of your circle. Oft, indeed, have I read your letters in the grand old National Trieune, and as often have I resolved to write, but something has happened each time to deflect my attention elsewhere before To-day I read in the Union Signal an article

headed "Helen Hunt Jackson" (H. H.), and now memory takes me back to a beautiful Subbath morning in July tast year, and I see myself, with a friend, in a carriage drawn by a proverbially lazy livery borse, slowly traveling the well-beaten road between Colorado Springs and Cheyenne Canyon. The sun shines brightly, the foliage never worse | Huntsville, Mo. With E. R. Lenk and B. F. Webb. greener hue, and Chevenne Creek, a babbling Nina Ballon, Waverly St., Lynn, Mass. With the brook when not sweden into a rushing torrent by a heavy countain shower, nurmurs merrily A. Smith, Huribert, Ind.; Lillian Barber, Girard, as it dances along. On and on we go, feasting our eyes on the beautiful, something new at every turn of the winding roadway, until, a mile from the foot of the falls, a fence built across the road mildly hints to us that we may possibly be able to see things better by hitching our horse and walking the remainder of the distance to the falls. walking the remainder of the distance to the falls. must be under 19; Emma S. Perkins, Box 1214, Now we are fairly in the canyon, and the extent of Natick, Mass.; Little J. Newton, Newton, Kan., my vocabulary will not permit me to describe the answered Mabei Woolsey's call for sympathy, and grandeur we behold. Great masses of rocks rise nundreds of feet perpendicularly on either side, sefore and behind, and we seem hemmed in by huge, unscalable walls. But our road leads us out of the abyes, and we stand at the foot of Cheyenne Falls, in the shower of spray into which the water dashes itself in its descent. Upon a stairway of 265 steps over the falls and along the walls at their side we wearily trudge, but at the top our climbing has only begun. Along the narrow footpath, zigranging up the very face of the mountain, we tramp, stopping every few steps to catch enough of the rarified air to satisfy our breathing apparatusestramp, tramp for half a mile or more, drawing ourselves up by clinging to bushes, resting on juiting rocks; here tossing a stone over a precipice to listen to its reverberations as it bounds downward, there spying choice specimens for our cabinets. On, on we go upward, until a pile of white stones ahead informs us that we are at our destination-the grave of "H. H." Unmarked by pretty headstone, matted by the red-berried kinnikinnick and the trailing woodbloe, the soughing pines overhead, a huge pile of white, crystalline rocks covers the sepulcher wherein rests the remains of the poetess; the beautiful mind, the lover of nature, who, dying, made this last request:

"Do not adore with eastly shrub or tree Or flower, the little grave that shellers me. Let the wild wind sown seeds grow up un-And back and forth all Sammer unalarmed,

Let all the thuy, busy creatures creep; Let the sweet grass its last year's tangles keep, And when remembering me you come some day, And stand there, speak no praise, but only say "How she loved us! 'twas that which made her

These are the words that I shall joy to hear."

—A. F. Files, Holland, O. OUR BOOK CIRCLE. Lorens Adamson's plan for a C. C. Circulating Library is indersed by Herman Smith, Luther,

Mich., who has some books he will send out if it is

donted; also by May Manchester, 1735 R St., Linolo, Neb.; Ada Littler, Box 447, Larned, Kan.; R. Neifie Reyoolds, Studison, Wis.; Effic Buffington, Box 13, Luctor, Kan.; Harry R. Coblergh, St. Johnsbury East, VI.; Dora Romesburg, Huntsville, do. Lorena can now start her books on their

I don't see how Ettic Todd can talk of "wading brough" "Don Quixole." It is too good to wade brough. I ogree with John James that Haggard's vorks are interior to Scout's. I wish to say to Julia Villiams and Lottie Maxfield that I appreciate Bertha Clay's works. I would like to know the author of "Shifting Winds."-Ruth A. Killam, Cleveland O. We are advancing in full armor, and will some

by win the ideal standard that each of us are after. Our Book Circle is getting larger, I see, and our old time friends don't seem to write as often as usual. Let's all write short letters, so that more can have a chance to have their letters printed,-Effic Buffington, Luctor, Kan.

"Ten Nights in a Bar-room" is good. I have also read "Don Quixote." Do not like it very well. What do the C. C. think of Mrs. South-How many have read "Love's Labor Won "? I have read some of Hugh Conway's, George Sheldon's and May Agnes Fleming's novels, and like them very well,-Clara B. Drury, Em-DOUTES, P. 121.

I would advise every gentleman reader of the C. C. to read Mes. E. D. E. N. Southworth's "Ishmael, or In the Depths," and "Self-Raised, or From the Depths," Think it would give you a grand and the lesson of a "self-made man." in poetry, iver Goldsmith is my favorite. His powers of agination are beyond the scope of a common and, while as an illustrator he is misurpassed. Would like to see every member of the club give his or her "favorite author," for the best way to sige of the habits and character of a person is by the kind of literature they are in the habit of readig. - John H. Cornell, Rockford, W. T.

I have seen no mention of my favorite writer, J. T. Trobridge. I think his stories are beyond critiism. Who of the C. C. does not like "The Three cours," or was not spellbound while reading "Cuojoe's Cave"? Taisolike "The Little Master," and the Satin-Wood Box," I think "Hot Plowhares," by Albion Teurgee, very interesting. Of nekens's works I like "Oliver Twist" best, but "David Copperfield" good, Although I like his works, I think them rather "dry," espesally "Bleak House." Would like the opinion of the C. C. on this book. My favorite poet is Long-fellow.—Harry R. Cobleigh, St. Johnsbury East, Vt. In accordance with the request for the authors se flors are quoted I send them herewith: 1. Sir Walter Duvemant; 2. Gray; 3. Watkins; 4. Jerrick; 5. Rochester; 6. Armstrong; 7. Willis; 8.
Addison; 9. Sewell; 10. Spenser; 11. Prior; 12. ope; 13, Hill; 14, Wm. Mason; 15, Dana; 16,

When I read the letter in THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE in which E. P. Roe was classed with H. Rider Haggard, I felt that I must write and express my sinion. While I neknowledge that Roe's books light literature, I do contend that there are any useful lessous to be learned from them. I thow I have a better idea of the New York rlot nce reading his story of the late unpleasantness An Original Belle "-than I had from an secount iven in history. The preface in one of his early ooks shows his metive to be good, pure and elevatng. Haggard's books should be suppressed. Is here any possible good to be derived from reading them? I feel provoked every time I read a letter idemning as who read novels instead of all historical works. What is history but a record of war? It seems to me that one must be quite pugilistic, to desire such reading all the time. I believe we ought to be acquainted with history, but I also elieve in movel rending, and consider those who condemn such reading as extremely narrow.-

Annie M. Andrews, Nunda, III. How many read and admire William Glimore Soum's "Southern Tales"? They are romance, out they are written in the style of history. "Guy Rivers" is excellent, but diffuse, and half the book stintroduction. I am surprised that any of the members have the audseity to question the benefit of the novel. Alma A. Hiers, it is a study of paracter; of the motives and passions of man. be grandest works of man have been in the dition of this study of human character. What theologian than Thackeray or George Eliot? Peraps you may mean dime or yellow-back novels. Then I agree with you. We have a humorist among our C. C. members-Miss Annie Walters.-G. L.

The C. C. was requested some time ago to give an opinion on Hamlet, his age and condition of mind. I have been eagerly watching from week to week for a response, as Hamlet is my favorite tudy. I see no reason to doubt the truth of the old gravedigger, that he was 30 years old. Ophe ia refers to his "blown youth," and surely we could not expect such keen wisdom and searching thought from a younger man. I believe it is gen-erally conceded that Hamlet is a nearer translaon of Simhspere's own character than any other many-sidedness. I am but in the alphabet of this grand and wonderful study, and do not feel competent to express a decided opinion as to whether he was "putting an antic disposition on " or other-wise; but surely in all the C. C, there must be some who can throw some light upon this most perpiexng puzzle. Let us hear from them; and will John ames give us his own opinion in the near future?

I do not think I ever told you of our Musical and literary Society, of which I am a member. The bject of the society is moral and intellectual improvement. We meet twice a month; the first four is given to histraction in vocal music. The general exercises include readings, recitations, peeches, essays, singing, etc. At the close the critic's report is read, which is beneficial and yet creates considerable amusement. A Reading Circle is to be organized in connection with the society. wille, Ind.: Little D. Arnold, Corry, Pa.; Anna meeting, I would thank Jessie Manlove and E. Stelle Proble N. V. Ling M. Mark Series Stelle, Preble, N. Y.; Linn M. Muir, Scotch Ridge, M. Tinkham for favorable notice of "Causes of O; Etta I. Abrams, Brighton, Mich., daughter Co. the Civil War." It was not meant for a history of the war; that I shall leave for some one more competent for the task than I. Miss Jessie, I, too, taught most of the time since I was 16 years oldtwo years in Minnesota and nearly three in the "Sunny South," Edwyn R. Lerch, I do not think the musicetoes in Pennsylvania are similar to those a Florida, or else yours are "few and far between, your remedy is unfailing there. I would enjoy seeing you try it in one of the open log house one so often sees in the South, or in a Florida "ty-ty." Will not some one of the Book Circle write a short sketch of his favorite author?-Lydia

TO EXCHANGE-WANTED.

To Exchange: Comic magic-lantern with 24 slides. seeds of Japan cataina, etc., for Indian relies, curiusities or long primer type,-W. C. Hampton, Mt. Victory, O. Twenty-one numbers People's Home ing matter,-Nora Bixler, Richland City, Wis. Cam paign badge, either party, or scrap pictures for ting pe of party writing me. Fiora Warfield. Seneca Castle, N. Y. Prize for best photograph of young gentlemen, 15 to 19, also for best autograph lade or gentleman.—Pearl Stevenson, Cleveland, O. Prize for best cabinet photograph by Dec. 15.— M. C. Burke, Rosebank, N. Y. Violin for best worth does not write, -Grace D. Atmore, Santa Paula, Cal. Holly seroll-saw for drawing sel; magic-lantern for best offer,-Will H. Sheshan lection of silk or velvet by Dec. 1.-Della Phipps, Shelbyville, Ma.; Kate Steiner, New Stanton, Pa. Vermont ferns for Western flowers or leaves; lace suitable for apron for prettiest piece of crazy patch work, slik or velvet, with postal autograph.-Lutie J. Warner, East Hardwick, Vt. A Hugh Conway novel for nicest postal autograph by Dec 25; a Zala novel for pretriest photograph.—Homer Me-Feeley, Lock Box 75, Rushville, Ind. Prize for pretriest piece of poetry.-Nina L. Gracey, Lyons,

Postal autographs: With the C. C.-Wm. Dowler. Box 91, Tustin, Mich.; Anna Goodart, Olney, Ill. ilso letters, prize best painted autograph; Albert Barton, Dodgeviile, Wis.; Susic Moore, Pleasant Hope, Mo.; Minnie and Emma Osmon, Thedford, Neb. With C. C. under 14.—Florence Smith, Hurlbert, Ind.; Lorena B. Adamson, Corning, O., especially in Southern States; also Emmet Searcy Meda Plympton, Nina Ballon, Nelia Hampton and John James. With Annie Marsh Williams, John James and Ora Annie Kost.-Dora Romesburg, Lerch and John James,-Harry R. Cobleigh, St. Johnsbury East, Vt.

Letters with the C. C.-William H. Newman, jr. Austin, Mina.; Mary Allison, San Rafael, Cal.; Co. Will H. Sheahan, Lock Box 1, Dennysville, Me, hopes others of the C. C. did; Nora L. Jerrolman 38 Tenth St., Providence, R. L., hope Mabel Wool. sey will write; Lizzie Steckman, Mayberry, Neb. Frace A. Johnson, Box 66, Benton Harbor, Mich. Rosa M. Tice, Goodland, Kan.; May Manchester 1735 R St., Lincoln, Neb. With soldiers' widows or daughters.—D. W. Logal, veteran, Box 48, War-saw, Ill. With young school teachers.—Nora Bix-ler, Richland City, Wis. With soldiers and sailors and girls North and West,-R. F. McLaughlin, Box 1, Tustin, Mich. With G.A.R. Circle girls.-Kate Steiner, New Stanton, Pa. With those interested in educational work, -Linn M. Muir, Scotch Ridge, O., a teacher who thinks THE TRIBUNE the bes educational paper in the country. From the C. C. where there is land to homestead.—Della Phipps, Shelbyville, Mo. With young gentlemen.—May Dill, Box 24, Thedford, Neb. With young ladies under 20,-Charles New, Plymouth, O.; Harry M.

Clay, Box 22, Oakdale, Conn.
Wanted: Songs, "Northfield Robbers" and
"Pinery Boys."—Simeon R. Waite, Myrile, Minn.
To hear from anyone having a gold dollar, half or quarter, and a three-dollar goldpiece.—Ernest E. Lincoln, Hingham, Mass. Song, "Is My Polly Gone to Nell?"—Hallie Hamen, Lyons, Kan. Rare coins and stamps prior to 1856.—Watter O. Loomis, Hubbardsville, N. Y. All to know my address is changed from Plymouth to South Braintree, Mass.

-Walter G. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Williams to exchange photographs with me.—Cena C. Poe, Dixon, ill. "Sherman's March Through Georgia" and 'Nicodemus the Slave."-B. M. Williams, Fair Grove, Mo. To know what has become of Thomas Harrison, of Fort Ringgold, Tex.—Mildred Darling, Lyons, Kan. The address of Geo. D. Maynard.— Vida Randall, Lyons, Kan.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria. [Answers to questions will not be published with-I two or three weeks after questions appear. So

The Carious Corner.

all will have a chance to send replies and receive

Questions 1 and 2 were answered in THE NA-

The circle of illumination is the circle of light

volution, sometimes called the persistence of

seen continuously in swinging a firebrand. The impression on the retina is retained until the next

vision. Tombstone, Arizona, taxes a commercial trav-

Atiantie?-Estella Williams, Derry, Kan.

eral?-Lizzie Steckman, Mayberry, Neb.

einhard, Cumberland Courthouse, Va

fore his father?-Mrs. Mary Swallow.

BRAIN-RACKERS.

ow?-Cora Winchell.

alled?-Mrs. M. Williams.

with the character of doorn.

As a Conversation Club

Let all other things lie.

That is what you need.

And there begin to read.

Turn to the seventh page

A C. C. Enigma-Wordsworth.

With the soldiers of the late war;

Why, just get THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE,

EHYMING CHARADE.

And, beaming radiant from her throne,

O'er distant hills the rising moon

A horseman, now seen by her light

And, as he passed, my second said

Though the trysting hour was past, My whole she was, in truth, because

HIDDEN FIRE.

I'm found in water, in air and on land;

TRIBUNE ENIGMA.

41, 10, 32, 51, 11, 49, 54, 48, General's name.

RHYMING CHARADE.

While out one day my second I spied,

My whole's a game oft played by boys,

AN OLD SAYING.

Reevn vegi pu na lod nrifde orf na enw.

TO MINNIE A. PRESTON.

Lsee, ghthuo dineiqunea of het Igao eh Ifsie,

EMERSONIAN PHILOSOHPY.

A REBUS.

(Dedicated to the Club.)

SQUARE WORD.

Find of letters four, The policeman's round will give a word

They haunt me through the livelong day;

Ampraec hata hmisfic ishla awi eth pzeri.

Egdelwonk fo sdees gintualp, Tseb ot

At dead of night these visions rise,

I may their phantom shapes despise,

But ne'er can keep them all away.

Would you neatly form a square,

Would you find the second word,

A quarter of the globe comes next,

And make the sign of woe.

-Mary Allison, San Rafael, Cal.

TRUE-BLUE ENIGMA.

12, 13, 14, 4, 5, 1, author of an allegory.

RHYMING ENIGMA.

(To Eva T. Pryor.)

But did you know what I conceal-

In me a thousand mischiefs lie,

A thousand pleasures I supply;

In me the merchant lays his dust,

But hold-my being to explore,

Know I'm inanimate-no more,

In me the tradesman puts his trust;

THE LADDER OF FAME.

1 * * * 3

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7 * * * 8

11 * * * 12

13 * * * 14

1 to 2 is confidence in one's self.

3 to 4 is steadfastness.

9 to 10 is emolument.

FREE to any of your readers who have consu

11 to 12 is the main artery.

13 to 14 is pertaining to a city.

Consumption Surely Cured.

Laundry Works, 420 Wabash Ave., Chicago, III,

-Clio Harper, Prattburg, Kan.

7 to 8 is to lift up.

Acres: 1 to 3 is precipitous.

5 to 6 is toil.

* * * 10

-Edwyn R. Lerch, Erie, Pa.

The fate of kingdoms' common weal.

Repose the best suggestion,

Without a tedious pore,

The opposite of trouble seek,

An aid to good digestion.

"Only" to put in now,

My 2, 9, 8, 7, 6, 3, 7 is a city in U, S, 2, 1, 6, 11, 15 is a girl's name.

Homer of old, as stories tell.

His Iliad put in a nutshell

5, 10 is a small but useful word,

For fourth go find the sorrowful,

Eh owh dulwo nwi eth cera tursu degui ish rhseo

-Mary S. Conklin, Farmingdale, L. L.

Now put your heads together, pray,

Tobdenie of eth imosues fo eth esoren:

order, is an extract from Emerson:

Pu Rettef guitfil, tser tuchtiw

Gnitlah tuohtiw, doog ot dab

Ot htrae hguerht, erup,

Stfil pets yb pets.

Erudne nevach hguorht, nepir

56, 6, 52, 29, 26, 12, 27, 28, 21, a month,

14, 6, 17, 31, 24, 53, what we all desire.

13, 11, 56, 3, 37, 55, 18, 43, 48, a state,

-Fitz Nutter, Worthington, W. Vs.

-Flora Conner, Charles City, Towa.

-Wesley Samberger.

-Katharine E. Warren.

I sometimes make you fear

By stretching out my flery hand

To show you that I am near,

My 3, 15, 12, 12, 47, 22, 44, 43, 5 is a ruler,

I am composed of 56 letters.

46, 20, 38, 24, 16 is a rate.

. 50, 19, a small pocket.

sons in a society. 39, 17, 25, 4, an exclamation.

My first I saw him do;

To eatch him was of no avail,

It's amusing to the mind;

And my riddle you will find,

He seemed as though he flew.

To urge his foaming steed,

For his lady-love still waited,

He was my third and last.

R. Lerch, Eric, Pa.

Approached with headlong speed;

The evening mist dispersed,

And if you want to know why

And I'll tell you a little more.

We are all in love

BIBLE BRIGADE.

onorable mention with the number answered.

TIONAL TREBUSE Oct. 18.

ones was the sculptor.

ton's Ferry, N. H.

Some Practical Suggestions for Our Agricultural Readers.

THE HORSE'S EYE.

eler \$10 per day to sell goods. Pemberton's surrender to Grant at Vicksburg is To be able to examine the eyes of horses with represented in sculpture at the Ohio Capitol, Coimbus, surmounted by a bust of Lincoln. Tom certainty, a thorough acquaintance with their . What country is known as the "Ringing structure is necessary. If when a horse is Island"? 2. What is Connecticut called? Her peo de? What Virginia and her people?-Nelia Hampton, Mt. Victory, O.
3. Who was the first child born of European parshy in passing different colored objects, and to ents in this country?-Mabel C. Giddings, Thornplant his forefeet with something of uncer-4. What is the quickest time yet made across the 5. Who drafted the Declaration of Independence?

Charles E. McVay, Fairburg, Neb.

6. What is the largest body of water in the world should be seen that they are neither too flat nor thout an outlet?-May Russell, Rodman, Iowa. 7. Which is the fastest railroad engine in the too convex externally, as from either form de-United States?-Jesse W. Beeman, Assumption, Ill. fective vision ensues. Abnormal forms are best 8. What city in Utah is the name of a brave Gention close by the shoulders. The corner or Joash, King of Israel, wept over Elisha when he outer sections of the eyes are, when the organs At the berial of Elisha a dead man was restored are sound, perfectly transparent. Any white o life by the touch of his body as it was placed in streaks, specks or cloudiness in these, or in the interior structures of the eyes, indicate that The book of Ecclesiastes is attributed to King they have been inflamed, and are very liable 1. Who was the man appointed of God to transto become so again. To detect white specks, etc., at what period of the world did be live?—C. E. the eyes should in a clear light be looked into in front, and from close by the cheeks behind. 2. Where is the word infidel used in the Bible, and When examining for white deposits in the eyes, 3. Who was the first man to die a natural death care should be taken that no white article of 4. What mountain was taken by a young king clothing, etc., be upon or near the person of the r his home, and what was the city built on it examiner, as it may be reflected in the eyes and deceive him. Special attention should be paid to 5. Does the word water in John, 3:5, mean baptism? 6. What is the meaning of Solomon's Song, 5:3?—A. F. Wheeler, New Albany, Kan. the pupils in examining the eyes of horses. They are the apertures through which light passes into the interior, and in horses are oblong in shape and stretch across the front of the eyes. Except in some white or cream-colored To Contributors: In sending answers name No. of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded are the irises surrounding them. Dark-colored, within a week after receiving this Tribune. Do not hair-like processes appear round their edges make numerical enigmas of your own names. Answers must accompany all puzzies forwarded.] when they are examined in a clear light, but ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN TRIBUNE OCT. 25. they are not defects, as some might suppose. Square Word-Woman, olive, mines, avert, nests. In healthy eyes the pupils contract and expand Tangled Quotation-An evil deed invests itself with the amount of light they are exposed to. If the horse is placed in a shady place they are Poetic Tangle-Charms win the sight, but merit large and dilated; but if he is moved into a A Diamond-S, sac, Salan, satires, garet, rest, s. | closed. In testing for this the examiner should | ley between Mt. Ebal and Mt. Gerizim. (8:30--if the eyes are sound-will dilate and again Double Cross-Word-Shakespeare, Wordsworth,

World. AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT. When we take into account the fact that in addition to the amount that is being paid to the various agricultural colleges by the Government for the education of young men in agriculture and mechanics, and the various Gaskell's Lessons in Fine Penmanship given for amounts appropriated by the different States first correct answer sent to my address,-Edwyn for the encouragement of agriculture, (the sum of \$570,000 is annually expended for the support of the experiment stations of the various States, organized under the provisions of the Hatch bill,) we ought to look for marked improvement in the line of actual progress in every branch of farming industry, and the question that most naturally and forcibly presents itself is, Is this progress as great as it ought to be under the circumstances? Are the farmers themselves, as a class, taking that interest in the investigations in progress that they ought? It is to be feared they are not, 3, 45, 55, 36, 6, 35, 32, 9, 33, 30, 6, joined by a The number of wide-awake farmers who are anxious to learn what is being done for their direct benefit appears to be comparatively small. This ought not to be so. The farmer, 28, 18, 41, 2, 3, 40, 4, 1, 43, 8, 24, a union of peras a producer of necessary articles of consumption, should take the same interest in his basi-My whole is the work of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. ness and be as anxious for its success as he who is engaged in manufacturing or commerce. adopt the best.-Germantown Telegraph.

PLAN FOR YOURSELF.

The Mirror and Farmer says: "No farmer need sit down and expect some one to furnish him a ready-made system or plan for conducting his farm; he must make it himself-is the opinion of an acute agriculturist." That is right to the point and good, sound sense. The following words, arranged in their proper There is no one that understands the requirements of a soil like him who has the care of it; and so of general management, the one who has it in charge is presumed to know more about it than any one else, and yet it is always proper to counsel with others, get their views and reasons for special modes, but then one should make his own plans.

-A correspondent of the Ohio Farmer is authority for the statement that pork packers can tell the breed of the hog by the shape of the ham as it comes from the cutter. The Berkshire ham is round; the Poland-China is nearly round, a little elongrated; while the Chester-White ham is long and comparatively narrow. -A correspondent of the Country Gentleman recommends aconite in doses of three-fourths of an ounce of the tineture as a specific for milkfever. The first dose is the quantity named above; the second, given six hours later, was half as much as the first, and the third, half as much as the second. She was then well enough to eat a little hay, and in three or four days was turned out with the other cattle, cured. A Connecticut farmer and owner of fine stock with irreproachable pedigree, sold a valuable calf for 75 cents a year ago because it would not drink milk and refused all nourishment. Its new owner devised a valuable way of bringing the animal up on eggs. These My whole is, as you will see, a very good friend to all the C. C .- Mae Martin and Mattie Shoff, Wy- were easily sent down the throat by being placed in the mouth, while the shells remained

have the tires reset, at the usual expense of 50 cents each. It is far cheaper and better for the wheels to saturate the entire woodwork with hot linseed oil. It can be applied with a rag tied to a stick. This fills the pores and causes the timber to swell and fill the tires as when new. With a coat of het oil once in a year or two there will be no loose tires, and the wheels will last very much longer.

-A horse appreciates a comfortably-fitting harness as much as he does a properly fitted shoe, The latter, when set too tight, or with a nail driven into or near the sensitive tissues, produces a positive lameness. Under this condition of things he is promply taken to the shop for relief. But he may suffer nearly or quite as much from the chafing of a badly-fitted collar, or a narrow belly-band drawn too tight, or from a check-rein shortened up so as to form of itself one of the severest punishments. Either of these conditions produce restiveness in the dullest brute, and in the case of an animal of nervous temperament and having a thin, sensitive skin, he is liable to become frantic, the obtuse owner or driver seldom appreciating the origin of the difficulty.

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SUNDAY MEDITATION.

Practical Dutles Taught by a Study of the International Sanday-school Lesson Appointed for Nov. 25. Josh., 24:19-28. [One reading these notes should first carefully study the paragraph from the Holy Scriptures as

indicated above. SUBJECT: JOSHUA'S FAREWELL ADDRESS AT SHECHEM. 1. Time.

We cannot fix the date of the death of Joshua with unquestionable accuracy. Josephus (A. 5, | the solemn compact into which they entered. 1, 29) puts the age of Joshua at the time of the (V. 22) exodus at 45 years. The exodus began in the year 2513 A. M. The age of Joshua at death | Joshua and the people. (V. 25.) trotted with a free rein, he is seen to extend was 110 years. (24:29.) Hence he lived 65 his nose unduly, to move his ears rapidly, to years beyond the beginning of the exodus. Dut into documentary form, to be reserved Adding 65 to 2513, we get 2578, the year for future generations, showing the circumjust before his decease. Joshua, 23:1, states agreement of the people to keep said covenant. tainty, faulty eyes may be suspected, and a the death of the successor of Moses took (V. 26,) specially close examination of them should be place "a long time after that the Lord had made. In examining the eyes of horses it given rest unto Israel." The "rest" referred to is that to which allusion is made in | 26.) 11:23 and 14:15. That rest began when Caleb was 85 years old. (14:10.) We learn from the same verse (14:10) that, when Caleb was 85 seen by looking at the eyes across, from a posi- years old, 45 years had passed since he was a family religion. Settle your object of worship get 2515. Adding 38 years, we have 2553 years, | is useful now and for us. the date of the close of the 40 years traveling of the children of Israel. Adding 45 to 2515, and we get 2560, the year in which Caleb was 55 years old. (14:7, 10.) If we subtract 2553 from 2560, we have 7 years left, the time required from the entry into Canaan to the practical subjugation of the idolatrous inhabitants. In 23:1, "a long time after" means a long while after the year 2560 A. M. If Joshua (2513 A. M.,) he lived for 65 years more. (24: 29.) Adding 65 to 2513, and we get 2578, the year of the farewell and decease of Joshua. At the time of the "rest" (11:23 and 14:15) Caleb was 85 years old, and that was in the year 2560 A. M. Subtracting 2560 from 2578, horses, they are generally darker in color than | and we have 18, the interval between the setthing of Canaan by the Israelites and the death of Joshua, to wit, the "long time" of 23:1. We are carried back in our study 3,314 years.

2. Where. The farewell address was delivered at Shechem. (24:1, 25.) This is the Sychar of the New Testament. Its Greek name was Neapolis. It is also called Nabulous or Nablus. glaring light they contract until they are nearly | It was in the tribe of Ephraim. It is in a valput the horse in a clear light, and then place | 35.) It is 34 miles north of Jerusalem. Joseph's his half-folded palms over his eyes for a minute | tomb and Jacob's well are near by. In early | or so. With the light thus excluded the pupils | days Jacob bought a parcel of ground in that | vicinity. (24:32.) Nablus is the Arabic form | scribe for The NATIONAL TRIBUNE, to be sent direct visibly contract when the hands are removed | for the Greek Neapolis. The present name of | to my brother in England, would \$1 pay for both and the light suddenly allowed to fall upon | the city is Nablus. Shechem is a very ancient | paper and postage? Assect. I. Commutation is them. If no contraction of the pupils occurs | place, its history running back 4,000 years. when this test is fairly tried, the horse will be The Emperor Vespatian rebuilt it, naming it wounds, injuries, etc., received in line of duty in blind from paralysis of the optic nerves. This | Neapolis, or the New City. It is said that there | the late war, and also to those who are totally dis may be the case, and yet nothing is to be seen | are about 8,000 inhabitants now in Shechem, of | abled in limbs for like causes. Paid every five amiss when the eyes are looked into. Contraction of the pupils on the sudden admission of the pupils on the sudden admission of the pupils on the sudden admission of the pupils of the sudden admission of the sudden admissi light is the most reliable test of this eye affector an extraordinary good quality of cotton General, U. S. A., nor from any other Bureau of tion. One eye only may be affected, hence the fabrics. One of its staple productions is also the Government. Such information as is contained test should be applied to both. Small worms | soap, though it is evident the people do not use are sometimes seen in the aqueous humor of the article very freely. Nablus was the birthhorses' eyes and affect their sight. - Farming | place of Justin Martyn. There is an Episcopal | Samaria, but educated in England.

3. Speaker. Our lesson is a farewell address delivered by Joshua when he had "waxed old and stricken in age." (23:1, 2.) He realized that he had not ong to live. He was 110 years old, (24:29.) For some time he had been retired from active service, living at Timnath-serah. After the said this was done "according to the word of | the Lord." (19:50.) We have an intimation in 14:6 that not only Caleb, but also Joshua, were to be specially remembered in inheritance after the land of Canaan had been captured. Joshua was probably consulted, and chose Timnathserah. Joshua had been a famous man. He had a right to speak, and every word from him had great weight. The occasion was very solemn and impressive.

4. Heavers. Joshua could not vocally address the millions of Israelites. The assembly was doubtless a representative one. An order had been issued asking for a gathering of the tribes at Shechem. and should study the ways and means care- From 24:1 we see the elders, heads, judges and fully and intelligently, being ready to adopt officers are specially mentioned. The elders any or all methods that promise success. It is | were probably the Sanhedrim or ruling Jewish somewhat difficult to eradicate from the minds | body of 70 most eminent men of the 12 tribes. of old farmers the prejudice against scientific The "heads" were the more venerable men of or book farming, but there is hope of the gen- the tribes and families. The judges had ruling member of the Board of Managers. eration that is coming on. It makes little dif- power in the more distant parts and smaller ference what name a system of labor takes if | cities. The officers were the assistants of the it brings success, and it is for the interest of | judges. These were specially near the speaker. all farmers to consider all methods and then | Many others very likely heard the address. And yet we must remember that the human voice, and that particularly of an aged person. could not be heard distinctly by many people.

5. Subject. Joshua, though being aged, still felt a profound interest in his people. He was anxious for their future. He could but know that whatever he said would have great weight. He possibly apprehended that his death might tend to some degree of demoralization among religious fidelity of his people.

6. Analysis of the Address. 1. Commandments to the Israelites. 2. Incentives to obedience of the command-

7. Discussion. 1. Joshua's commandments to the people. They cover verses 14 to 20. Notice the commandments. a. Fear the Lord, (V.14.) Have such profound respect for God-such conscionsness of the divine disapproval of sin-that you will never offend him. b. Serve the Lord in sincerity and truth. (V. 14.) The service of God consists, in the sense of the word in V. 14. in external acts which it is possible to perform mechanically, heartlessly, hypocritically. Sincere service is so essential a duty that it is mentioned twice in V. 14. Further, the service you render must not be divided between God and any other being. Hence you must not serve other gods. (Vs. 15, 16, 20.) c. Put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt. (V. 14.) We saw a tendency on the part of the Israelites toward idolatry when they made the golden calf at Mt. Sinai. The fathers (V. 14) proper of the Israelites were Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Abraham lived on the east side of the existed. It seems to us that the evidence which you Euphrates, which is called the flood, (Vs. 14, have furnished, if bearing directly upon the point behind and could be removed. The calf thrived, soon learned to eat, and is now worth \$50.

15.; Cf. Vs. 2, 3.) where the people serve other gods. (V. 2; Gen., 31:19.) It is evident, too, that in Egypt they did not wholly escape the when spokes and felloes shrink and the influence of idolatry. (Eze., 20:6-8, 18.) Then land. 3. The act of Jane 16, 1880, made no provise for those soldiers who were not on the rolls at that influence of idolatry. (Eze., 20:6-8, 18.) Then in the land of Canaan, where the Amorites | strued by the present Commissioner that if a claim lived and where the Israelites were in our les- | was pending at the date of the act, which, when son, idolatry was very prevalent. With an inclination toward serving other gods, and with a constant temptation before them, Joshua the pensioner is totally blind or has lost both feared for his people, and gave them a special hands or both feet. charge to serve only God-to exclude from worship all invented gods, and confine themselves entirely and always to Jehovah. d. Make a final, positive choice. Settle once for ever the exclusive object of your worship. Be not divided. The exhortation of Joshua was probably more cautionary than rebukative. White. My fust bo'n son he worked at well-Not to be quite sure as to whom or what to | diggin'. worship is very unsatisfactory. To attempt to serve all gods is too much for human power and ingenuity. To try to serve God and any body or thing else is a reflection at once on the ability and completeness of God. The thing is to invalids and we believe we have proven its impossible, because Jehovah will have the value conclusively; now we will have a few whole heart and service or none. So choice is demanded. e. Incline your hearts to the Lord. (V. 23.) f. Do not forsake God. (Vs. 16, 20.) g. Obey God. (V. 24.) 2. Incitements to the Israelites to keep

the commandments given by Joshua, to wit, verses 14 to 20. a. The force of example is given by Joshua, who said, "as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (V. "Yes, Lizzie, I like to de fancy work, but I | 15.) b. God is holy. (V. 19.) He will not tolhaven't felt like trying that pattern-or any- erate sin. He will not countenance idolatry. thing else-for a week. These awful 'dragging- | c. God is jealous. (V. 19.) He will not allow down' pains are just killing me!" "I know his devotees to comwith other so-called deities. how you feel, and I can tell you where to look | d. God does so much for us while other persons for relief. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription or things mistakenly worshiped do not benefit is a certain cure for all those peculiar weak- us in any measure, that it is an outrage to lack nesses and distressing ailments. Why! it even in any degree in our recognition, love and cured me of prolapsus, and many of my lady obedience of Jehovah. He rescued the Israelites from Egyptian slavery. He expelled the idolatrous and enemous inhabitants of Canaan, cine." It is the only medicine sold by drug- opening the territory for the children of Israel. | matism, neuralgia; all chronic and nervous dise. God is our God. (V. 18.) Hence he is the orders. It will be sent free of charge to any facturers, that it will give satisfaction in every object of our exclusive adoration. f. God will one addressing Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1529 case, or money refunded. Read guarantee on not forgive us if we persist in idolatry. (V. Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.; or 331 Montgomery 19.) g. God will punish us severely if we com- St., San Francisco, Cal.

promise our worship and service of him. (V.

8. The Decision. The Israelites, convinced of duty by the impressive discourse of Joshua, decide to observe all his suggestions. The choice given as to gods, they choose Jehovah. They promise to confine their religious devotions to Him exclusively. They solemnly agree to serve and obey the true God.

9. Сопледиенсел. 1. The people made themselves witnesses of

2. A formal covenant was drawn up between 3. A historic and statutory statement was A. M. when Joshua delivered his farewell, stance, the nature of the contract, and the

4. A stone monument was erected to preserve so important a transaction in memory. (V.

5. The assembly broke up. (V. 23.)

10. Suggestions. Worship God if all others refuse. Look to spy at Kadesh-Barnea, and that was after the once and for all time. Be sincere and truthexodus had gone on for two years. Hence he ful. Away from idolatry. Remember what was 40 years old at Kadesh-Barnea, (14:7,) or | God does for you. Obey the commands of Je-38 years old when he left Egypt. The exodus | hovah. Set up monuments and other memobegan in the year 2513 A. M. and closed in the rials. Be witnesses for God. Sift men well in year 2553 A. M. Adding 2 years to 2513, we their pretensions. Heed Joshna's advice. It

OUR CORRESPONDENTS. Replies to Questions on a Variety of Interesting

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J. F., St. Paul, Minn.-I was pensioned Dec. 21,

1881, at the rate of \$6 per month, drawing arrears, for gunshot wounds of neek and left thigh. Made application for increase April, 1888, and received notice of rejection. One of the Examining Surgeons told me that the Board reported my case favorably. Can I make application for increase at once, or must I wait six months; and can I employ another attorney, or must I put it in the hands of the same one who had it before? Will I have to go before the same Board of Surgeons, or can I be ordered before a different one? Answer, If your disability has materially increased, you can apply for increase at any time. You are at liberty to employ another attorney if you so desire, as your former attorney's connection with the claim ended with its rejection, unless he has since taken action with a view to set aside the rejection. If you request to be ordered before another Board of Surgeons, the same will probably be complied with. H. A., Mozon City, Ill .- 1. What does communiation mean under act of Aug. 15, 1876? 2, If I submoney in lieu of an artificial limb, and is paid to

nished to the Commissioner of Pensions upon his application, but is not furnished to claimants, or to place of Justin Martyn. There is an Episcopal their attorneys, or to any other persons for them. (Church of England) church in the city. There If you are ordered before the Board of Surgeons is also a Baptist place of meeting, the pastor and you do not comply with the order, you being Rev. E. L. Karey, who was born in would have to explain your reasons for not doing so. Unless you can prove that you are totally unable to perform any manual labor, you cannot secure an increase above \$24 per month, even if your combined disabilities include sunstroke. Heart disease does not result in disease of lungs, spine, kidneys, throat and deafness, The results claimed by you as sequences of chronidiarrhen and heart disease would not probably be accepted. You may be compelled to prove when the resulting diseases claimed first appeared. land of Canaan had been divided up among the your chances for an increase we cannot decide; Whether your heavier weight would be against 12 tribes the children of Israel assented to a in fact, all the questions that you raise are medical special assignment for Joshua. (19:49.) It is questions, which can more properly be determined

F. F., Mt. Morris, Mich .- A soldier enlisted in the 23d Mich.; was mustered for four months' pay and signed the pay-roll just before he was sent to the hospital, but did not draw his pay. After he got better he went to the Paymaster to draw his pay, and found that the communating officer of the company had drawn it. Is there any chance for him to recover the money at the present time, the officer who drew his pay being alive? Answer, He would not have a claim upon the Government. The only way by which he could recover the amount would be to obtain it from the officer who received it.

The Government is not responsible.

J. E. L., Chicope, Mann-tiow many Soldiers'
Homes are there in the United States; where are hey located, and what are the steps necessary to take to secure admission? Answer. There are five: near Togus, Me.; Dayton, O.; Milwaukee, Wisc. Leavenworth, Kan., Hampton, Va. All soldiers and survivors of the late war of the robellion who are dissled from the performance of manual labor, and who have an honorable discharge, are entitled to admission to said Homes. Application should be made by letter to the Governor thereof, or to any C. S., Mina, Potter Co., Pa .- What is the meaning of See, 6 in "The National Tribune" Pension Bill where it says: "Provided, that this act shall not apply to those persons under the political disabili-ties imposed by the 14th Amendment of the Consti-tution of the United States"? Assect. It would

exclude Jeff Davis and other ex-rebels who have never been pardoned for their acts of tresson.

J. W. R., Windom, Minn,-How long does it take from time of application to receive money in case of remuster and back pay? I have had my claim in four years, and it has not yet been acted upon, Answer. Owing to the immense number of claims filed immediately after the passage of the set of June 3, 1884, and the limited number of clerks employed upon the work, but comparatively little progress had been made up to about a year ago, Since then the claims have been rapidly disposed the Israelites. He took every precaution to of, and it is probable that your claim will be acted make sure of the steadfastness and unity and upon shortly, just when we cannot say. Your ease for remuster will be acted on first.

S. T. D., Bushnell, Ill,-1, I was drawing \$50 per month for total helplessness, and about June 1, 1887, I was reported as drawing more pension than I was entitled to. My ease was put in the hands of a Special Examiner (who was a Missouri rebel), who examined me and my witnesses, and then took me 60 miles to be examined by Board of Surgeous. On Nov. 1, 1887, the Commissioner of Pensions sent me a letter stating that, according to the evidence of the Special Examiner and the Board's report, I was only entitled to \$24 per month, and gave me 60 days to furnish evidence. I furnished adidavits, and March 6, 1888, I was granted \$40 per month. I applied for increase, furnished affldavits, etc., showing conclusively that I was and am totally helpless, requiring the regular aid and attendance of another person. If I am returned to the rate of \$50 will I receive the difference between my old rate of \$50 and the lesser rates to which I was reduced? or will I only receive \$50 from the date of allowance of increase? 2. Was Gen. Black Did the act of June 16, 1880, give soldiers who are utterly helpiesa \$72 a month, unless they were already on the rolls at \$50 a month? Answer. 1. It would be impossible for us to say what the action of the Pension Bureau will be upon your claim, nor from what date, if allowed, your increase will commence; but if the evidence is considered satisfactory, you will be restored at your old rate from the date when you were reduced. The Board reported upon your condition at date of examination, and gave an opinion as to the length of time it has allowed, entitled the pensioner to \$50 at that date, \$72 would be allowed in such a case; but in no case filed after June 10, 1888, can \$72 be allowed, unless

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